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Serial No. 09/638,858

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reexamination of the captioned application is respectfully requested.

A. SUMMARY OF THIS AMENDMENT

By the current amendment, Applicant basically claims benefit and priority of the application which matured as the sole applied reference, i.e., U.S. Patent 6,834,191 to Wallentin et al. Applicant is entitled to do so in accordance with 37 CFR §1.78(2)(ii)(B), since the captioned application was filed before November 29, 2000, and has a common inventor. A Supplemental Declaration claiming priority is forthcoming. Consequently, U.S. Patent 6,834,191 to Wallentin et al. is no longer sustainable as a reference.

C. MISCELLANEOUS

In view of the foregoing and other considerations, all claims are deemed in condition for allowance. A formal indication of allowability is earnestly solicited.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's deposit account #14-1140 in whatever amount is necessary for entry of these papers and the continued pendency of the captioned application.

Should the Examiner feel that an interview with the undersigned would facilitate allowance of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned.

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